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and all kinds of castings and machinery made to order.
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NO. 9 NORTH FRONT STREET,
Opposite Lower Steamship Landing
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Wholesale and Retail manufacturer of
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CRACKERS,
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STEAMBOAT AND SHIP STORES,
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FEED, FRUITS, VEGETABLES, &c., &c.
Bread and Stores delivered to any part of the City. Orders from a distance carefully filled and promptly dispatched.
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We are satisfied that we can and will give entire satisfaction to our friends and the public.
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FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE.
UNION
Insurance Company
OF SAN FRANCISCO,
Nos. 416 and 418 CALIFORNIA ST.,
STOCKHOLDERS INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE
CASH CAPITAL, $750,000.
DEPOSIT IN OREGON, $50,000.
Losses Promptly and Equitably Adjusted and Paid in Gold Coin.
THIS COMPANY having complied with the laws of Oregon, by making a Deposit of fifty thousand dollars, is now prepared to effect insurance against LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE, and take risks on MARINE AND INLAND NAVIGATION RISKS on liberal terms.
GUSTAVE TOGGUARD, President.
CHARLES D. HAVEN, Secretary.
H. H. JOHNSTON,
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Office—No. 2 Holmes' Block, Portland, Oregon.
Portland, Nov 1, 1868 dtf

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Incorporated by Royal Charter.
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ESTABLISHED. ..... 1809.
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Accumulated and invested funds, Jan 1, 1868, in gold 13,436,568
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DEPOSIT IN OREGON, according to law... $50,000
DEPOSIT IN NEVADA, " " ... $50,000
LIMIT ON SINGLE RISKS $100,000
San Francisco Bankers, Messrs TALLANT & CO.
BRANCH OFFICE for the Pacific States and Territories, S. P. Corner Sansome and California Streets, San Francisco, California.
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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN
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Highest Market Price paid for Produce. Goods delivered free of charge. n24tf

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Goods delivered to our customers in any part of the city free of charge. Cash paid for Country Produce. d15 dtf

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ROCK, COARSE GROUND, DAIRY AND TABLE SALT, always on hand and for sale in quantities to suit.
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Meals and Lunches at all hours day and night.
Private Entrance for small Parties. Board per week, $6 to $8.
CHAS. BLUM, Proprietor.
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FOREWARN ALL PERSONS FROM HARBORING or trusting my wife SARAH E. THOMAS, on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting from and after this date. J. L. THOMAS.
Portland, Jan 4 1869 d1mawlt

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NOTICE.
THE STEAMERS
SENATOR AND ALERT
WILL LEAVE THE COMPANY'S DOCK, PORTLAND, DAILY, FOR OREGON CITY, at 6½ o'clock, A. M. and 2 P. M.,
Connecting with the Company's Boats at Oregon City.
EVERY MORNING (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED),
FOR SALEM,
ALBANY AND CORVALLIS,
and on
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY
For Dayton,
Lafayette, McMinnville, Harrisburg, and Eugene City.
FREIGHT AND PASSAGE AT REDUCED RATES.
Salem, Dec. 1, 1868. A. A. McCULLY, dtf Pres't P. T. Co.

OREGON STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S
NOTICE!
BOATS OF THE COMPANY WILL LEAVE PORTland as follows:
FOR DALLES—Daily (Sundays excepted) at 5 o'clock A. M.
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N. B.—BOATS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF STOCK in readiness when business offers.
J. C. AINSWORTH,
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NOTICE.
THE STEAMER
"SUCCESS,"
LEAVES CANEMAH FOR ALBANY, ON MONDAYS and THURSDAYS.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Reduced Rates!
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The House has lately been refitted and they are now able to offer additional inducements to their patrons.
The Table will be furnished with the best the market affords, and is under the immediate supervision of the proprietors. Rooms well furnished and well ventilated.
A large fire-proof safe for the deposit of valuables.
Baggage taken to the Hotel free of charge.
BOARD, per week $5 00
BOARD and LODGING, per week ..... $6 to 8 00
Nothing will be left undone which lies in the power of the proprietors to do, to render guests comfortable.
feb1dtf LYONS, LEONARD & CO.

Cosmopolitan Hotel.
(Formerly Arrigoni's)
PORTLAND, OREGON.
THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY ANnounces that having purchased this widely known and well kept hotel, they are now prepared to offer superior accommodations to the traveling public at
Greatly Reduced Prices.
This Hotel is located nearest the steamboat landings.
The Hotel coach will be in attendance to convey passengers to and from the house free of charge.
W. R. SEWALL,
GEO. R. COOK,
s1dtf Proprietors.

NEW COLUMBIAN
HOTEL!
Nos. 118, 120 and 122 Front Street
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R. CARNEY ..... Proprietor
THE LARGEST, BEST AND MOST CONVENIENT Hotel in Portland. Located in the center of business and near all the Steamboat Landings.
AT REDUCED RATES! Board and Lodging per day from $1 50, to $2 according to the room occupied.
Rooms newly furnished and well ventilated. Superior accommodations for families.
The COLUMBIAN COACH will be in attendance at all the landings to convey passengers and baggage to and from this Hotel Free of Charge. jy16dtf

WESTERN HOTEL.
PORTLAND, OREGON,
DORCY & HOLMES,
PROPRIETORS.
THIS HOTEL is located near the Steamship Landing.
The Hotel Coach will be in attendance at all the Landings to convey Passengers and Baggage to and from the House FREE OF CHARGE. n1dtf

EMPIRE HOTEL,
Dalles City.
THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY INFORMS his friends and the traveling public, that the alterations on his Hotel are now completed, and he flatters himself that he can offer superior inducements to those who favor him with their patronage, as it is his intention to keep a
FIRST-CLASS HOTEL.
Nothing will be left undone to make his guests comfortable. Hotel Omnibus to carry passengers to and from the Hotel free. Large Fire Proof Safe in the office for safe keeping of valuables. Hotel open all night in charge of a careful watchman. THOS. SMITH,
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Salem Restaurant!
COMMERCIAL STREET,
(Opposite the State House,)
Salem, Oregon.
CHARLES DICKINSON
HAVING THOROUGHLY RENOVATED THIS House, and having Lodgings attached, is prepared to accommodate Boarders in No. 1 style, with or without Lodgings, would solicit a call from the traveling public, assuring them that no pains will be spared to accommodate them to the best that the market affords. s2dtf

AMERICAN EXCHANGE!
(LATE LINCOLN HOUSE,)
Corner Washington and Front Streets,
PORTLAND, OREGON
L. P. W. QUIMBY,
HAVING taken the above House wishes to announce to the public that he is now prepared to accommodate guests in a satisfactory manner. Nothing will be left undone, which lies in the power of the proprietor to do, to render guests comfortable.
FREE COACH TO AND FROM THE HOUSE.
Portland, Feb 2, 1867 dtf

COLONIAL
HOTEL AND RESTAURANT,
Government Street,
VICTORIA, V. I., B. C.
Well Rooms furnished and every attention paid to the comfort of Travelers.
Private Dining Rooms for Ladies and Families.
o17dtf S. DRIARD, Proprietor.

By Overland Telegraph

[DISPATCHES TO THE OREGONIAN]

DATES TO FEBRUARY 1.

New York News.

NEW YORK, Feb 1.—A terrible outrage was committed on Saturday night, on a steamer at Ridgetown, on the person of a young woman from the country, named Mary Van Saun, who had been enticed into the saloon. The ruffian was arrested.

An anonymous writer in a morning paper asserts that none of those arrested committed the murder of Roberts, but that he will in good time make known who was the murderer.

NEW YORK, Feb 1.—Peter C. Ross writes that he and Musterman were released on condition that they would be sent to the United States as prisoners to be tried for alleged conspiracy against Lopez.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Three laborers were killed and five wounded by the premature explosion of nitro-glycerine at South Petersburg on Saturday.

The coroner's jury, in the Rogers case, found a verdict that he came to his death at the hands of some parties unknown. They further state their belief that a considerable portion of the testimony in the case, was deliberate perjury.

The distillery of Harlan Newman was entirely destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $170,000.

Four Wall street operators were arrested to-day, charged with defrauding the U. P. R. R. Co. on the first mortgage bonus to the amount of $24,000.

Christine Wilson has been engaged for the season in the Italian opera here next fall.

A St. Domingo letter says a portion of President Johnson's message relating to the annexation of that Republic to the United States, is received with the liveliest satisfaction. It is thought annexation is the only possible solution of existing difficulties.

NEW YORK, Feb 1.—Holladay to-day arrested a notorious English thief, whose name is suppressed, against whom, it is asserted there is positive proof that he was Rogers' murderer. The man who was accessory is not yet arrested, but his whereabouts is known.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Pork firmer, but closed dull at $32 50 offered, and $33 asked for new mess. Beef firm, moderate and unchanged. Butter quiet at 22@35c—unchanged.

Pacific Railroads.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—A Washington special says the Senate Committee on the Pacific Railroad to-day nearly settled the details of their new plan to encourage either route across the Continent, which favors guaranteeing the interest on the first mortgage bonds, and retaining the title to public lands as security for interest, the proceeds of the sale of such lands to be devoted to its payment.

Washington News.

WASHINGTON, Feb 1.—In the Supreme Court to-day in the case of the Pacific Insurance Company vs. Frank Soule, on certificate of a division of opinion between the Judge of the Circuit Court and the Judge of the District Court of California, that it was the duty of the assistant assessors to reduce to value in currency all returns made in coin, and that a person or corporation making such return, is liable to pay an income tax to the amount thus returned in currency, and that such income tax is not a direct tax, but a duty or excise, and as such, obligatory and valid. The opinion was given by Justice Swayne.

The Supreme Court decided to-day in the case of the Northern Central Railroad of Pennsylvania against Jackson, that railway bonds held by persons abroad are taxable, and that companies can withhold the amount of the tax.

Miscellaneous.

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, Feb. 1.—An engine on the Ohio division of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad exploded near Barnesville to-day, killing the engineer and fireman, and injuring three trainmen.

DANBURY, Conn., Feb. 1.—The upper Kansa dam, which supplied this borough with water, gave way last night, forcing another dam below, when an immense body of water rushed down, carrying all before it. Flint's dam and the bridges were also swept away, houses destroyed and carried off in the flood with ice, rocks, trees, etc. A. Clark's building was carried away and himself, wife and children drowned. Three ladies were also drowned and a number of other persons are missing. It is supposed that twelve or fifteen persons are lost.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 1.—The *Ledger* says a requisition has come from Governor Clayton on Governor Brownlow, properly approved, for sixty young men in this city for the destruction of arms from the steamer *Hooper*. It warns the Governor that any attempt to carry it out will result in bloodshed.

The *Appeal's* Biersburg correspondent says that on Friday night five notorious horse thieves were taken from jail here by the citizens to a place and shot to death. No attempt at disguise was made, and nearly all the citizens participated.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb 1.—The stockholders of the Pan Handle railroad to-day, unanimously approved the lease of the Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Central Railroad to the Pan Handle road.

VALENCIA, Feb. 1.—The storm has prostrated the telegraph lines connecting with European cities and cable.

West Indies.

HAVANA, Feb. 1.—Advices from Port au Prince per steamer say Salnave seized two French vessels in the harbor of St. Marys, for running the blockade. The French Admiral compelled the government to surrender the vessels, declaring the blockade of the Haytien coast ineffectual and that the occasional calling of a man of war at the Port does not sufficiently establish blockade that Hayti had no right to seize foreign vessels coming into her ports under a paper blockade, which the government could not maintain.

The reported capture of Aux Cayes by the forces of Salnave is not confirmed but it is reported that Aux Cayes, Sackmel, Foreau and other towns on the Southern coast, will be obliged to surrender. The condition of affairs in Northern districts are unchanged.

Business at Port au Prince is reviving.

The U. S. steamer *Cheshire* had sailed for Aspinwall, and the steamer *Yantic* was expected to take her place.

Military Matters.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.—Gen. Thomas, before the House Military Committee on Saturday, was examined as to the proposed consolidation of the staff departments of the army. He thought something of the sort should be done, but was not positive in his suggestions. He was decided, however, that measures should be taken to curb the assumptions of those departments. He said the Washington Bureau had become so arrogant that field officers could do little with them.

Gen. Schoeref thought the department Paymaster, Commissary and Quartermaster could be consolidated.

Nevada Legislature.

CARSON, Feb. 1.—In the Senate to-day the bill for creating the county of Argenta was postponed till Thursday next.

The Assembly bill providing for the payment of the indebtedness of Esmeralda passed.

The bill to provide for the election of a Board of Regents, passed.

In the House, the Lyon county bond bill passed.

A bill was introduced to abolish capital punishment.

A bill to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons, passed. It authorizes Sheriffs, constables and policemen to search persons suspected of carrying them.

A resolution that on the organization of new counties the people elect their officers, was indefinitely postponed.

OWYHEE ITEMS.

[From the Avalanche, Jan 2.]

The mines now being worked at South Mountain look promising indeed.

The snow at Silver City is only a few inches deep. The weather has not yet been cold.

Richer ore than ever is now coming out of the Ida Elmore mine. The mail runs only as far as Boise and turns out "bricks" very fast.

About forty tons of rock per day are now being taken out of the Florman mine.

A new strike, said to be very rich, is reported a few miles from Silver City, but no particulars are given.

Romantic History of one of Colonel Benton's Daughters.

The San Francisco [illegible] says:

[illegible] to the [illegible] Francisco [illegible] the marriage [illegible] Benton's daughter [illegible] human nature [illegible] but not [illegible] by all [illegible] was a resident [illegible] Western States and was [illegible] practice [illegible] gallant and [illegible] was the [illegible] Washington [illegible] the game from the [illegible] daughters of the Senator, and [illegible] concealed [illegible] the Senator [illegible] clerk in Washington. He [illegible] their opinion [illegible] great abilities and when [illegible] the hand of [illegible] daughter [illegible] consent. The [illegible] and [illegible] the greatest [illegible] the necessity [illegible] enterprise [illegible] improvement of [illegible] most eligible. They [illegible] husband was shortly afterward admitted to the bar of the United States Supreme Court, and was soon recognized as one of the most promising members. For many years he practiced his profession with great success, and was on the high road to wealth and fame. Then came the discovery of gold in California and the consequent rush of emigrants to the new El Dorado. Among those who determined to go to California was the husband. He consulted his wife and she like a true woman, declared her intention of accompanying him.

Together they came to California where the husband took a leading position at the bar and amassed a fortune. The people he associated with were from the South, and like many others he began to drink to excess. When the rebellion broke out he cast his sympathies with the South. His brother-in-law went with the North and became a Major-General. He had to give up the practice of his profession because he could not take the oath required by our Legislature. Out of business, he drank heavily and soon began to mortgage his property. Six years passed and he died, leaving his wife without a dollar. The widow, immediately went to sewing to earn her living, but found she could hardly keep soul and body together by that means. Some friends of her father offered to aid and assist her, but she would receive nothing so long as she could help herself. She however would be thankful for assistance in procuring her a position as teacher in one of the public schools. Application was made, and some of the School Directors opposed her appointment because her dead husband was a secessionist. They knew her husband in his lifetime and had felt the lash of his bitter tongue, and therefore desired to harm his widow. Their efforts, however, were unavailing. She was appointed, and is now engaged in the public school department of this city, teaching a primary class. A sad change in the fortunes of one who started in life with such brilliant prospects."

A DARING ACT IN COURT.—The Reese River *Reveille* of Jan 15th is responsible for the anecdote.

On Wednesday a prodigy of science appeared before the District Court to testify in the cause between the Eberhardt and Richmond. His name—is it not written in the chronicles of the Court? The man of science, pregnant with simple laws and recondite studies, was a trump card—but he was "played out" before the "trick" was taken home. The "Encyclopedia" testified substantially as follows:

Question—Are you a graduate of an academy or school of mines?

Answer—Yes, of the Collegio de Mineria of Mexico.

Q.—What was your course of studies?

A.—Oh, everything pertaining to mining and the working of ores.

Q.—What were your standard works? Mention some of the books.

A.—Books—(with a puzzled air)—ah—yes let me see. Well, there was *Lyell's Mineralogy*, and—the works of—Castillo, and—many others.

Q.—You say that you studied mineralogy, what is quartz?

A.—Quartz is—quartz.

Q.—What is its chemicale composition?

A.—I—don't—know.

Q.—What is the composition of calc spar?

A.—Calc spar is lime and mica.

Q.—You don't know anything about mineralogy, do you?

A.—No, not much, indeed, the course of the College de Mineria was wholly practical.

Q.—Well, you learned something, perhaps you are mining engineer?

A.—Yes, I studied mathematics and am a mining engineer.

Q.—A mathematician, are you? Can you square the circle?

A.—Oh yes, if I had my instruments—(with exquisite naivete).

Q.—Will you sit at this table and square the circle if I procure a set of instruments?

A.—Certainly I will.

Lawyer—That will do, sir.

During the cross examination, the inmates of the Court room were convulsed with laughter, and it is doubtful if any parallel scene ever happened before in any Court in Christendom.

SEXUAL DISPROPORTION.—The excess of women in America, it has been recently admitted as a physiological fact, is, in the United States, about six per cent. Old England and New England are becoming more and more the countries of old maids. The latest census returns in the former country shows 610,000 more women than men, and the proportion in New England is almost two women to one man. Indeed, in some of the county districts, this ratio is far greater in favor of the sex. A writer in the *North British Review*, however, asserts that there is a preponderance of the male sex born into the world, but that boys die at a faster rate than females, that at the age of fifteen the sexes are about equal in number, and after that age women preponderate. How much of sweetness is wasting itself in the desert air.

The Patterson, N. J., *Press* claims for that city the honor of the original American velocipedist. Mr. Leonard Chadwick, who, any time these many years, may have been seen propelling his velocipede over the execrable pavements of the city, carrying pretty heavy loads, and making, for the *Press* says, considering the [illegible] very fair time. Mr. Chadwick says that on a good hard road he will pass any carriage he sees that travels. He has on the smooth turnpikes of England gone 17 miles in the hour, easily, and not felt the fatigue greatly.

Cincinnati about the Queen City of the West, does not like it that she is now [illegible] surpassed in pork-packing by St. Louis. She has set resolutely about [illegible] the obstacles in the way of [illegible] and when last year's crop of hogs [illegible] territorial area have but seven [illegible] within that corporate limits, while Chicago has over twenty times. It says pointedly, that if to extend the boundaries of the city is out of question, the sooner the extension of Boston for this step [illegible] the better.

The Chicago papers are waxing indignant against the heartless treatment of the poor in the public schools. Progress [illegible] another notch in morals and [illegible] children are [illegible] to [illegible] buildings [illegible] cold the day through. The little victims who [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] stand in the cold without [illegible] heat, shall be useless they [illegible] under the [illegible] with the [illegible] rags.

A country paper has the following: The San Francisco people [illegible] assert that [illegible] though it appears [illegible] first to be seen—New arrivals [illegible] and [illegible] each [illegible] of [illegible] see if [illegible] road yet.

The Liverpool and Manchester Road forms part of the [illegible] the property of [illegible] at a [illegible] of [illegible] at a [illegible] mile.

General Klapka has been restored to his military rank as General in the army of Hungary.

Agricultural Predictions of California.

[From the San Francisco *California*, January 2.]

[illegible] are [illegible] under cultivation in [illegible] Wheat [illegible] of the tilled land. [illegible] more than 900,000 [illegible] of the 1,500,000 [illegible] barley [illegible] nearly one-[illegible] acres. The total yield of the [illegible] was 5,000,000 bushels in which [illegible] per cent. maize four per cent., rye and buckwheat small fractions. There were [illegible] increase of the area sown in wheat [illegible] harvested in 1867 to that of 1868. Merced only rose from 7,000 to 12,000 bushels, San Joaquin from 50,000 to 122,000 and [illegible] more than either the two have put the figures for the next year. The gain was chiefly in the San Joaquin valley.

There are 20,342 acres grape vines set out in vineyards in the State [illegible] 50,000,000 vines annually put out by persons who accept any statement without regard to its authority. Many of the vines are under four years old, and are not therefore in full bearing. In 1867, [illegible] were made. California has 2,790,000 apple, 960,000 peach, and 800,000 pear, 47,000 tropical fruit trees (orange, lemon, fig and olive), and 50,000 nut (walnut and almond) trees—making a total of more than 2,900,000 fruit and nut trees, or more than four to every inhabitant. There are, also, more than 11,000,000 strawberry, raspberry, blackberry and gooseberry vines and bushes. The pounds of butter produced were 3,000,000; of cheese 2,750,000, and of hops 560,000. The State has 238,000 horses, 500,000 neat cattle, 1,900,000 sheep, 415,000 hogs, and 1,700,000 head of poultry. As our agricultural exports are confined chiefly to wheat, wine and wool, a presumption is raised by these figures that the Californians generally have an abundance of food, and a great variety of it. There are two horses, four neat cattle, three porkers, fourteen sheep, fifteen chickens, one hundred and sixty grape vines, eighty strawberry and other vines, twenty-two temperate fruit trees, and one tropical fruit tree and bush to each voter. Unfortunately there are many who do not succeed in getting their fair share of these good things which are so abundant.

In irrigating ditches there is an increase, the number reported being 720, and the acres irrigated 71,000, about 100 acres to a ditch on an average. Yolo irrigates 21,000 acres with two ditches, while Tulare has 3,000 acres to 100 ditches, and Los Angeles irrigates 10,000 acres with 41 ditches. In the mining counties the farmers' ditches are [illegible] and generally small, but the large ditches sell some water to gardeners and orchardists.

The Cashmere goats number 7,415, an increase of 4,660 since 1867. Many of these are crossed with the common goat, and there are no separate figures to indicate the numbers of the pure blood, and the seven eighth, three-quarter, half, and other grades. At the same rate of increase we shall in 1875 have 200,000 head of Cashmere goats, and, with so many, we should be far in advance of any other enlightened State in that class of animals.

The Sea "What-is-it."

PART BEAST, PART FISH—HOW IT LOOKS—ITS HISTORY—THE STORY OF ITS CAPTURE.

The curiosity of natural history, caught "down East," near Eastport, Maine, a few weeks ago, which has attracted so much attention among scientific men, such as Prof. Baird, of Washington, Prof. Hamlin, of Waterville, and Prof. Stanley, of State College, is still interesting to curious people and the